



Program Manager Assembled
Chemical Weapons Alternatives

Biography: Joseph J. Novad

A Partnership for Safe Chemical Weapons Destruction

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Technical Director Assembled Chemical Weapons Alternatives Program

As the technical director for the Program Manager Assembled Chemical Weapons Alternatives (PMACWA), Joseph J. Novad is responsible for the technical and risk management activities associated with destroying the chemical weapon stockpiles stored at the U.S. Army Pueblo Chemical Depot in Colorado and the Blue Grass Army Depot in Kentucky.

Mr. Novad is charged with identifying and resolving technical and risk management issues through each phase of the project: design, construction, systemization, pilot testing, operations and closure. Because the project is currently in the design phase, Mr. Novad works closely with the site project managers, chief scientist, design teams and the risk management team. Based at PMACWA headquarters at the Edgewood Area of Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, Mr. Novad ensures systems, processes and plans are integrated at both sites.

Prior to joining PMACWA in 1997, Mr. Novad was the Engineering Directorate Team Leader who supervised functional areas within the Edgewood Research, Development and Engineering Center in support of the Program Manager for Chemical Demilitarization's Alternative Technology Program. He directed all HD and VX neutralization based technology testing, hydrolyzed HD and VX biodegradation testing and pilot plant design support. He also directed toxicology studies and analyses of neutralization and biodegradation reaction products.



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A native of Pennsylvania, Mr. Novad holds a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from Pennsylvania State University. He was awarded the Superior Civilian Service Award in October 2006.



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